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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        | Docket Number (Optional) |                 |
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| FY 2005 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |        | 071469-0308803           |                 |
| Application Number 10/807.383                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        | Filed March 24, 2004     |                 |
| FOR APPARATUS FOR MONITORING THE CONNECTION STATE OF CONNECTORS AND A METHOD FOR USING THE SAME                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |        |                          |                 |
| Art Unit 2829                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        | Examiner Paresh Patel    |                 |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |                          |                 |
| application.  The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |                          |                 |
| Fee Small Entity Fee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |                          |                 |
| One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | \$120  | \$60                     | s <u>120.00</u> |
| Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | \$450  | \$225                    | \$              |
| Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | \$1020 | \$510                    | \$              |
| Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | \$159O | \$795                    | \$              |
| Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | \$2160 | \$1080                   | s               |
| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |        |                          |                 |
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| The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |        |                          |                 |
| The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to.  I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |        |                          |                 |
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| t am the applicant/inventor.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |        |                          |                 |
| assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37. CFR 3.71  Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |                          |                 |
| attorney or agent of record. Registration Number. 35914                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |        |                          |                 |
| others over 1975 Trader 37 CFR 1.34.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |                          |                 |
| Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34  Sept. 19 2006  Date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |                          |                 |
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| NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assigneds of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |        |                          |                 |
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